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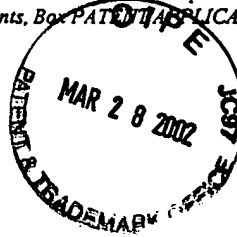


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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

Inventor: Carl E. Whitcomb

For: **ROOT GROWTH BARRIER**

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- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (37 CFR 1.98)
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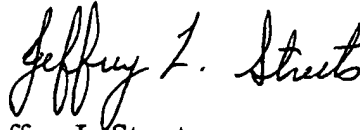
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